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#### THE POEM THAT FAILED.

I have been rather overdone with Kipling parodies lately, says *Truth*; but the following, "from the front," has special claims to a few inches of space. In the first place, it shows how those 'Islanders' at present hung up in the Dark Continent regard the 'stuffed fool' and 'muddled cat' business. In the next, it shows that our Tourists out on the veld have various ways of amusing themselves in their odd moments when Du Wet is not at hand, including not only reading Kipling, but writing it. I ought to mention, however, that in this case the original poem has only been read in a telegraphic summary, as the date attached to the parody indicates:—

Oh, Kipper, Ruddy Kipper, you 'ave bin and broke my heart  
By the linsence you 'ave bin and wrote,  
and 'ere so bloomin' smart;  
I've read your verse, Kipper—I've got the bloomin' lot,  
And relished ev'ry word you wrote until you wrote this lot.

Oh, Kipper, Ruddy Kipper, what made you sit and write  
Of 'stuffed fools' and 'muddled cats'—  
—now was you bloomin' tight?  
If so, over up, man; most of us 'ave bin like that before,  
And 'ere to be again, please God, when we 'ave done the war.

Oh, Kipper, Ruddy Kipper, you 'ave seen us on the veldt,  
And know 'ow sweet our baccy tastes, and 'ow our dinners smelt;  
But you seem to 'ave forgotten 'ow we loved to pitch the stumps,  
And 'ave a bit of practice, and 'ad rot the bloomin' bumps.

Oh, Kipper, Ruddy Kipper, was our good old chief a fool,  
Cos a bloomin' regimental team and baited powerful cool,  
Whenever there seemed danger that a 'ekin' we would get;  
No, Kipper, he were just our sort, and took us right, you bet.

Oh, Kipper, Ruddy Kipper, do yer see that corral there?  
With mud enough upon 'is shirt, but near the ball, I'll swear;  
You wouldn't go to call 'im 'out' if 'e bin you could see,  
For 'e bears the blood-red badge of pluck, the coveted V. C.

Oh, Kipper, Ruddy Kipper, when you lay 'twixt life and death,  
When 'e opened up the paper 'is you couldn't see a breath  
In all the 'sweatin' barrik-room to see 'im as rules  
'Ad taken you to glory, was we blasted 'outs' and 'fools'?

Oh, Kipper, Ruddy Kipper, you can call us what you like;  
We forgive you, write it—it isn't that; of fence we'd never take;  
But it's your own reputation that you've bin and damned to-day,  
And so brought lastin' sorrow on your good old friend T. A.

Krugersdorp, January 19th, 1902.

#### His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tonn.	Guns.	L.H.P.	Captain.	Last arrived at.
Abercrombie	despatch-boat	1700	—	3000	Comdr. Seymour E. Erskine	Hongkong
* Albion	bat. ship, 1st class	12,453	16	13,500	Captain W. W. Hewett, R.N.	Hongkong
Alceon	ship	4050	6	1600	Commodore Walter Cherry	Newchwang
Arcturion	cruiser, 2nd class	4200	10	5000	Captain J. Sturtin	Shanghai
Argonaut	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	18,000	Captain H. Cherry	Yokohama
Arcton	cruiser, 2nd class	4363	10	3000	Captain C. J. Baker	Shanghai
Blenheim	cruiser, 1st class	3000	12	15,000	Captain F. H. Henderson	Amoy
Brantley	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1200	Lieut. Com. E. M. Leake	Hongkong
Bretton	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1200	Lieut. Com. E. M. Leake	Hongkong
Cressy	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain H. M. Toller	Amoy
Cherub	warrior tank and tug	390	—	300	Master T. Passmore	Hongkong
Edipon	cruiser, 2nd class	5600	11	9000	Captain R. H. S. Stokes	Amoy
Endymion	cruiser, 1st class	7550	12	10,000	Captain W. A. Page	Amoy
Essex	g.-b. 3rd class coast defence	565	3	200	Lieut. Com. Godfrey	Shanghai
Exeter	ship	1070	10	1400	—	—
Faun	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	3700	Fleet Reserve	Hongkong
Firebrand	cruiser, 3rd class	1580	12	3200	Comdr. J. Graham	Singapore
Glory	gunboat, 2nd class	454	4	360	Lt. Com. G. B. Beatty-Powell	Hongkong
Gull	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	15,500	Captain W. A. Carter	Hongkong
Gull	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	15,500	Captain Lewis White	Hongkong
Hardy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut. Com. G. C. Hardy	Welshpool
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Fleet Reserve	Hongkong
Hammer	steamer	1440	—	800	Comdr. H. J. Lygon	Hongkong
Imogen	cruiser, 2nd class	3600	16	9000	—	—
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3000	Fleet Reserve	Hongkong
Kinsin	river gunboat	180	2	800	Re-building	Yangtze-Kiang
London	ship	980	10	1400	—	—
Matine	ship	980	10	1400	—	—
Ocean	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	15,500	Captain J. H. White	Hongkong
Orlando	armoured cruiser, 1st class	5600	12	8000	Captain J. H. White	Hongkong
Otter	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6500	Lt. Com. C. P. Munce	Hongkong
Phoenix	ship	1015	6	1400	Commodore W. H. Nicholson	Hankow
Pique	cruiser, 2nd class	3600	8	7000	Capt. Henry C. Reynolds	Hongkong
Ranabder	surveying vessel	825	6	650	Lt. Com. Morris H. Smith	Singapore
Rinaldo	ship	980	10	1400	Com. D. St. A. Wale	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut. Com. G. G. Webster	Hongkong
Rosario	ship	980	6	1400	Capt. C. A. W. Hamilton	Singapore
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut. Com. Murray Lockhart	Hongkong
Swift	gun-vessel, 2nd class	755	—	870	Lt. Comdr. Worsley	Shanghai
Taku	torpedo boat destroyer	260	6	6500	Fleet Reserve	Hongkong
Talbot	cruiser, 2nd class	5600	11	9000	Captain F. G. Stopford	Shanghai
Tamara	receiving ship	4500	6	—	Commodore Francis Power	Hongkong
Ted	river gunboat	150	2	800	Lt. Comdr. R. W. Dalrymple	Shanghai
Terrible	cruiser, 1st class	14,200	14	25,000	Captain Percy Scott, C.B.	Hongkong
Tweed	coast defence gunboat	363	3	200	Temporarily employed surveying	Hongkong
Vestal	ship	980	10	1400	—	—
Waterwitch	surveying ship	825	—	450	Lieut. Com. W. O. Lyne	Hongkong
Whitby	torpedo boat destroyer	260	6	6500	Lt. Com. C. Mackenzie, D.S.O.	Hongkong
Wivenhoe	coast defence ship, armoured	2750	4	1000	Fleet Reserve	Hongkong
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## TELEGRAMS.

[ 'N.-C. DAILY NEWS' SERVICE. ]  
**THE ANGLO-JAPANESE  
AGREEMENT.**

TOKIO, March 16.—Three of the principal commercial and industrial associations of Tokio have given a banquet to the British Legation and Chamber of Commerce to emphasise the pacific character of the new alliance. All the Cabinet Ministers attended, but there were no speeches.

**THE JAPANESE DIET.**  
The Diet has had a peaceful day. Among seventy-nine Government Bills presented to the Lower House, one alone was rejected, namely, the extraordinary appropriation for the Wakayama Earthquake.

The notable features of the session have been the placability of the Seiyukai, the bad relations between the two Hou

**FOREIGN OPPOSITION TO  
JAPANESE HOUSE TAX.**  
Tokio, March 13.  
The Kobe community have forwarded the Foreign Office at Tokio a copy of a petition signed by the merchants and

resolution passed at the general meeting declaring their resolve not to pay income tax; but the document has not been returned inasmuch as it is impossible for the Government officially to receive a public announcement of a determination not to comply with the requirements of the law. There is little doubt that the Government

There is much doubt that the Imperial Government will propose arbitration as the law has been first vindicated by collection of the tax.

**SENTENCE ON TAKU COM**

Yung Tze-ping, the compradore of Taku Tug and Lighter Co., has been sentenced to a year's hard labour and a fine of ten thousand taels, or, in default, additional imprisonment for 12 months.

The fine is to go to charitable institutions. He was accused of complicity in the thefts from the Company's lighters.

**BARON SHIBUSAWA'S VISIT  
ENGLAND.**  
Tokio, March 1  
Baron Shibusawa, President of the T  
Chamber of Commerce, goes to London  
the Coronation, representing the un

Rumour assigns to him the intention of raising a loan for the Seoul-Fusan rail-  
road of which he is President, but Baron  
Busawa publicly denies this.

[FROM JAPANESE SOURCES.]

**THE MANCHURIAN  
CONVENTION.**

Dr Morrison, the Peking correspon-  
dent of the Times, telegraphs that he is cred-  
itously informed that the late Li Hung-chang  
had secured various concessions relating to ex-  
clusive rights for Russia in Manchuria, with  
imperial assent, and that the negotia-

China is reluctant to grant mining privileges in Manchuria to Russia, and consequently the negotiations for the Moscow Russo-Chinese Bank have devised to hoodwink the Powers.

Russia declares in her note to China she will not pay any attention to protests of Great Britain and Japan will carry out her object irrespective of opposition. China desires that Japan interfere.

PEKING, March 10.—A traveller who has lately returned from Manchuria states that the Russian army is increasing the number of her troops and her influence in the province. The Chinese officials are striking to consider. It is reported that Russia is preparing to build a Custom house about 100

frontier. If Great Britain and Japan assume a stronger attitude the restoration of actual authority in Manchuria to China will be almost impossible.

It is expected that the Manchurian  
culty will immediately cease if China grants  
the mining privileges to Great Britain,  
America, Germany, and France.

**LONDON, March**—Only fragmentary reports are arriving regarding the students' disturbances in Russia. The Moscow university is barricaded, and a fierce encounter has taken place, but all details have apparently been suppressed.

**DISTURBED BULGARIA.**  
LONDON, March


There was a revolutionary attempt to  
in Belgrade, the capital of Servia.

leader, who is a relative of Karageorgevitch (M. Vlatan Georgevitch, formerly minister, or M. Andra Georgevitch, formerly Minister of Public Instruction) has been shot and his followers arrested.

**ANTI-ANARCHIST BILL.**  
An anti-anarchist bill has been passed by the New York legislature increasing penalties (for offences connected with propagation of anarchist doctrines).

### JAPANESE IN MANCHURIA

The Russian Press is agitated concerning the influx of Japanese into Manchuria, and suggests that their presence in the province in connection with some system of colonization.

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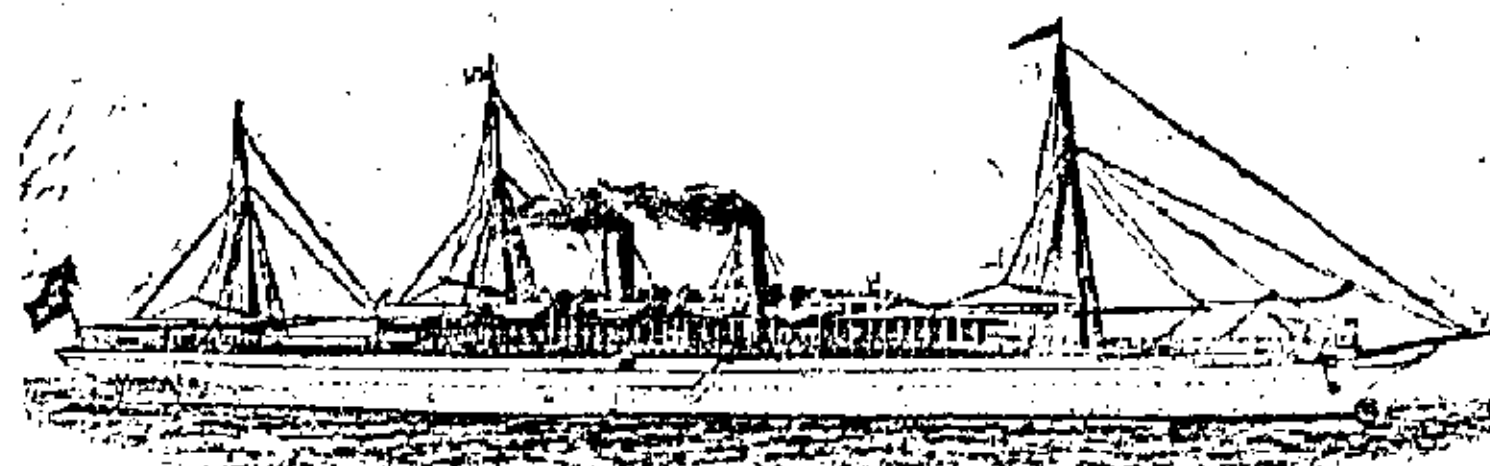
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HIROSHIMA MARU... MOBI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA... TUESDAY, 25th March, at Noon.

KAGOSHIMA MARU... BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO... FRIDAY, 28th March, at Noon.

YAWATA MARU... NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA... FRIDAY, 28th March, at Noon.

INABA MARU... KOBE & YOKOHAMA... FRIDAY, 28th March, Daylight.

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